

Nicola Re-Elected Overwhelmingly

ROME, (AP)—Provisional president Enrico de Nicola was overwhelmingly re-elected by the constituent assembly yesterday and announced he would continue in the office he resigned from Wednesday because of poor health.

He received 405 of the 431 votes cast. Nineteen ballots were blank and one was void. Two votes each were cast for Pietro Nenni, pro-Communist leader of the Socialist party; Cipriano Faccinetti, Milan Republican; and Giuseppe Bellusci, Naples Republican. Some 124 deputies were absent.

Prolonged applause rang

through the assembly after the vote for the 69-year-old head of the year-old republic.

Tall Story Of "Flying Objects"

PENDLETON, Ore. (AP)—A tale of nine mysterious objects—big as airplanes—whizzing over western Washington at 1200 miles an hour got skepticism yesterday from the army and air experts.

The man who reported the objects, Kenneth Arnold, a flying Boise, Idaho, businessman, clung however, to his story of the shiny, flat objects, each as big as a DC-4 passenger plane, racing over Washington's Cascade mountains

with a peculiar weaving motion "like the tail of a kite."

An army spokesman in Washington, D. C., commented, "as far as we know, nothing flies that fast except a V-2 rocket, which travels at about 3500 miles an hour—and that's too fast to be seen."

The spokesman added that the V-2 rockets would not resemble the objects reported by Arnold, and that no high-speed experimental tests were being made in the area where Arnold said the objects were.

A civil aeronautics administration inspector in Portland, Ore., added, "I rather doubt that anything would be travelling that fast."

Arnold rescribed the objects as "flat like a pie-pan," and so shiny that they reflected the sun like a mirror.

He said he was flying east at 2:59 p.m. two days ago toward Mt. Ranier when they appeared directly in front of him 25-30 miles away at 10,000 feet altitude.

By his plane's clock he timed them at 1:42 minutes for the 47 miles from Mt. Rainier to Mt. Adams, Arnold said, adding that he later figured by triangulation that their speed was 1200 miles an hour.

(By The Associated press)

The mystery of the "flying discs" deepened today as more Washington and Oregon residents stepped forward to back reports of the eerie saucerlike objects first reported Wednesday by an Idaho flier to have been flying in formation over the Cascade mountains.

One witness, E. H. Sprinkle of Eugene, Ore., produced a photograph last night of "flying objects" which he said he sighted from a Eugene hill June 18. Enlargements showed seven dots in the sky in what could be military formation.

Still in another version, • this time of a night flight, was reported by Archie Edes of Wenatchee. While driving on the Moses Lake highway last Friday night with his father and family, Edes said he saw a "speeding object" descend in a long slant . . . It looked like a long, oval blue-white flame.

"As he watched, it neared the ground and when it was about 200 feet high it exploded. There was no blinding flash, but there were great showers of sparks and piles of flame seemed to hurtle to the ground," he said.

A "very bright, shiny object" was reported by Mrs. Dennie Howell of Salem, Ore., to have been seen "tumbling" through the air last Tuesday. A week before, according to Mrs. Howard K. Wheeler of Bremerton, she and her husband sighted three of the objects flying west about six o'clock in the evening.

A Yakima woman, Mrs. Ethel Wheelhouse, also reported sighting the "whatzits" Tuesday afternoon. They sped so fast she could not count them and abruptly disappeared, she said.

WALLA WALLA, (AP)—R. V. "Nig" Borleske, dean of Pacific Northwest coaches, is "out" as coach and athletic director of Whitman college.

Confirmation of the ouster was given last night by D. F. Baker, president of the board of trustees. He said simply that Korleske's "appointment had not been renewed," and added, "the college has nothing further to announce concerning Mr. Borleske."

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Find Parents Of Abandoned Girl

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP)—The mystery of little "Miss X," the abandoned girl found in Weed, Calif., June 15, was solved yesterday, State police said, by the confessions on an unmarried couple who decided they had "too many kids around."

They identified the badly beaten girl—eyes blackened, body bruised and left arm temporarily useless when found in a clump of bushes—as Mary Jane Meddlin, 2½, Selma, Ore.

Sgt. C. R. Borgman of the state police said she was a daughter of Mrs. Lucille Meddlin, Selma, who signed a confession that with Hugh Gilreath, 25, sawmill worker, she beat the child severely June 14, one night before entering the hospital here as "Mrs. Lucille Gilreath" to have her third baby. The woman was separated from her husband, Borgman said.

The seargeant said California authorities have served a warrant charging assault with intent to kill on Gilreath and that the sawmill worker had waived extradition.

Inquire Into Boxer's Death

CLEVELAND, (AP)—The Cleveland boxing commission reported yesterday that Jimmy Doyle was physically fit and ready when he entered the ring against Ray Robinson in the welterweight championship bout that resulted in Doyle's death.

The report was prepared at the request of Mayor Thomas Burke at a special meeting called by commission the chairman.

Dr. A. F. Hagedorn, commission physician, gave his own testimony and that of other physicians that the 22-year-old Californian showed no injury of any kind before he entered the ring with Robinson.

Meanwhile, coroner Samuel R. Gerber said he was determined to learn if Doyle had recovered sufficiently from a concussion received in a fight with Artie Levine March 11, 1946, to go through with the title bout.

He reported he would question Paul Dayble, manager of the late boxer, yesterday and matchmaker Larry Atkins and Dr. Hagedorn Saturday.

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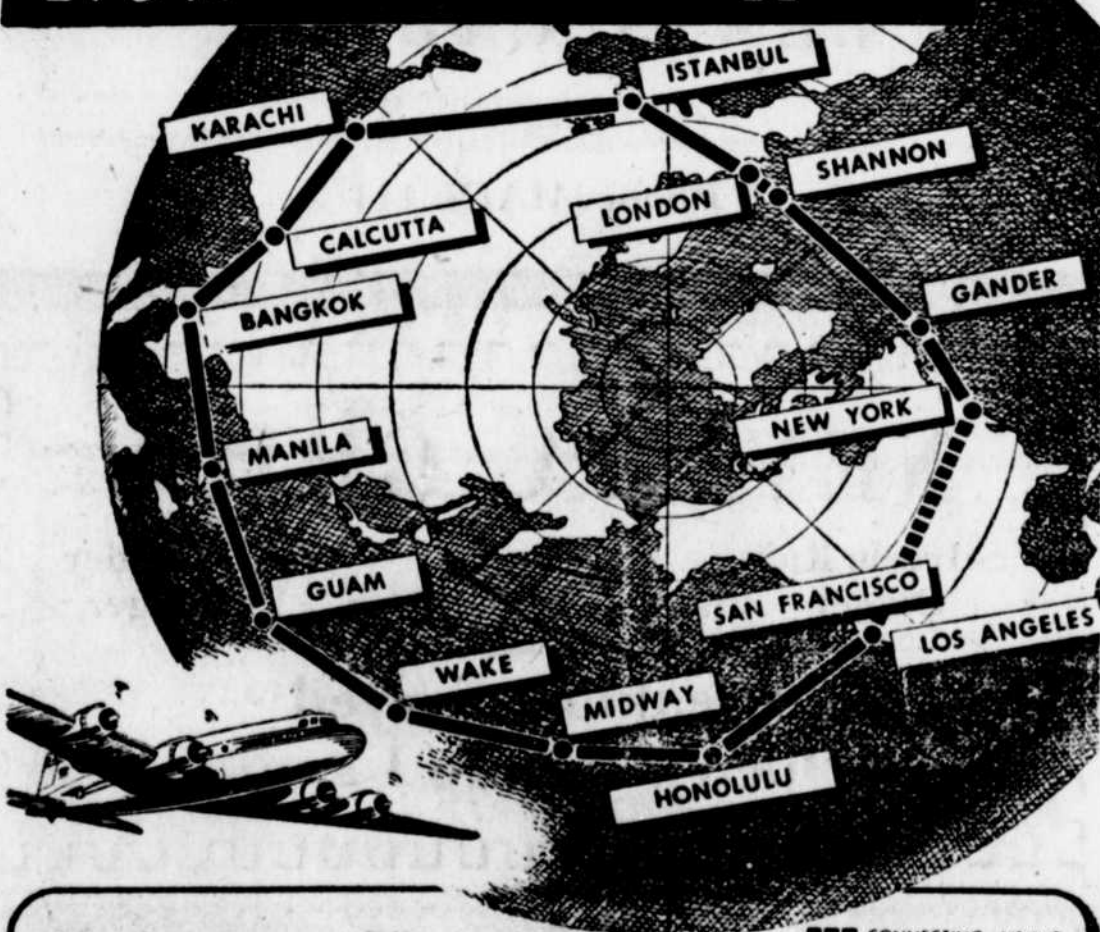
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